

## 5. *Health District Taxes:*

Discussion was held on a measure before the State Legislature which would eliminate duplicate tax structures for local and county health districts which overlap. On motion duly made and seconded, it was voted to refer this measure to the Committee on Legislation for consideration.

### *Time and Place of Next Meeting:*

The chair announced that the next meeting would be held in San Francisco on April 27, 1963.

### *Adjournment:*

There being no further business to come before it, the meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

CARL E. ANDERSON, M.D., *Chairman*

MATTHEW N. HOSMER, M.D., *Secretary*

## **Council Meeting Minutes**

*Tentative Draft: Minutes of the 491st Meeting of the Council, San Francisco, Hyatt House, April 27, 1963.*

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Anderson in the Hyatt House, San Francisco International Airport, on Saturday, April 27, 1963, at 10:00 a.m.

### *Roll Call:*

Present were President-Elect Doyle, Speaker Quinn, Vice-Speaker Heron, Secretary Hosmer, Editor Wilbur and Councilors MacLaggan, Wilson, Todd, O'Neill, Bullock, O'Connor, Ham, Rogers, Dalton, Davis, Miller, Watts, Campbell, Hudson, Anderson, Grunigen and Cosentino.

Absent for cause, President Sherman, Councilors Gooel, Murray, Kaiser and Dozier.

A quorum present and acting.

Present by invitation were Messrs. Hunton, Thomas, Clancy, Collins, Marvin, Klutch, Clark, Tobitt, Edwards, and Bowman, Mrs. Griffith and Doctors Batchelder and Miller of C.M.A. staff; Messrs. Hassard and Huber of legal counsel; Doctor Dan O. Kilroy, legislative chairman and Messrs. Read, Salisbury and Putnam of the Public Health League; county executives Lingerfelt of Fresno, Geisert of Kern, Field and Baker of Los Angeles, Colvin of Monterey, Donovan of Santa Clara, Donmyer of San Bernardino, Nute of San Diego, Neick of San Francisco, Wood of San Mateo, Brown of Sonoma, Rosenthal of Forty First, Blankfort of Marin and Greene of San Fernando Valley; Doctor Malcolm Merrill, state Director of Public Health; Doctor Lester McDonald and Mrs. Eunice Evans of the State Department of Social Welfare; Doctors

Galliano and Rudin of the State Department of Mental Hygiene; Mr. Robert Garrick, consultant; Messrs. Paolini, Wahlberg, Heller and Nyron of California Physicians' Service; Doctors T. Eric Reynolds, Warren L. Bostick and others.

### 1. *Minutes for Approval:*

On motion duly made and seconded, minutes of the 489th meeting of the Council, held March 23-27, 1963, were approved.

### 2. *Membership:*

(a) A report of membership as of April 24, 1963, was presented and ordered filed.

(b) On motion duly made and seconded, 1,131 delinquent members whose dues had been paid by April 24, 1963, were voted reinstatement.

(c) On motion duly made and seconded, 22 applicants were elected to Associate membership. These were: Virginia Y. Blackledge, George M. Keranen, Emanuel Rollins, Ruth C. Steinkamp, Irving R. Tabershaw; Alameda-Contra Costa; Aaron G. Fingerhut, Joyce D. Fraser, G. Gordon Hadley, Alan King, Bella F. Schimmel, Joel Solomon, John Lincoln Smith, Los Angeles County; Dorothy J. Allford, F. E. Ferguson, Arnold Z. Geller, Riverside County; Richard C. Murphy, Marin; Lloyd L. Brandborg, Ernst Paulsen, Marion E. Roudebush, San Francisco County; Paul E. Spangler, San Luis Obispo County; Thomas M. Spaulding, Stanislaus County; Edward C. Cummings, Ventura County.

(d) On motion duly made and seconded in each instance, 18 members were elected to Retired Membership. These were: Vincent P. Graham, Alameda-Contra Costa; Verne E. Eastman, Arthur J. Langan, Charles H. Lewis, Carl L. Mulfinger, Paul H. Smitgen, Leigh F. Watson, Los Angeles County; John M. Bulpitt, Zoe E. Bulpitt, Ralph Hawes, S. Theron Johnston, Harvey C. Maxwell, Helen R. Robertson, Orange County; Albert E. Larsen, M. Laurence Montgomery, San Francisco County; J. Karl Beck, Ralph Pawley, Riverside County; J. Leslie Spear, Sonoma.

(e) On motion duly made and seconded in each instance, reduction of dues were voted for 22 members for reasons of prolonged illness or postgraduate study.

### 3. *C.M.A. Mailing List:*

A request for use of the Association mailing list was received and, on motion duly made and seconded, referred to the Scientific Board with authority to act.

### 4. *Committee on Legislation:*

Doctor Dan O. Kilroy, chairman of the Committee on Legislation, reviewed a series of measures pend-

ing before the state Legislature and reported on others which had not received approval or were awaiting assignment to interim committees for study. Among these are bills to amend the program for medical assistance to the aged, to prohibit the ownership of pharmacies by physicians and to require California licensure for clinical laboratories located out of state but used by California physicians and a proposal to restrict charges for referred services. On the latter proposal, it was regularly moved, seconded and voted to refer the subject matter to the appropriate committee for study. The chairman referred the laboratory study to the Commission on Community Health Services.

#### 5. *State Department of Mental Hygiene:*

Doctors Galliano and Rudin, reporting in behalf of Doctor Dan Lieberman, newly named Director of the Department of Mental Hygiene, reported that the department was in the process of developing a program to cooperate in the review of state mental hospitals which the Association has agreed to undertake. They also reported on a legislative bill which would increase the contribution by the state to community mental health care centers.

#### 6. *State Department of Public Health:*

Doctor Malcolm Merrill, State Director of Public Health, gave a report on several communicable diseases which have come under departmental scrutiny lately. These included botulism originating in canned tuna, A2 type influenza, meningococcic meningitis and poliomyelitis. He stated that 10 million doses of Type I oral polio vaccine had been given, 9,700,000 of Type II and 7,700,000 of Type III. As to the first type, 15 cases of paralytic polio had been reported within 30 days of the immunization and five had been determined to be compatible with the immunization dose. No cases resulted following Type II vaccine and 15 following Type III, five of which were compatible timewise with the dosage.

#### 7. *State Department of Social Welfare:*

Mrs. Eunice Evans supplied the members of the Council with statistical reports on the first full year of operation of the Medical Assistance to the Aged program and answered several questions from members.

#### 8. *California Physicians' Service:*

Doctor T. Eric Reynolds, president of C.P.S., reported briefly on the program to convert all contracts using the A and B fee schedules to more recent schedules. Very few of the old contracts remain and offer problems of conversion but the number of persons covered is diminishing.

#### 9. *Medical Executives Conference:*

Joe Donovan, chairman of the Medical Executives Conference, reported that the conference had voted to voice its commendation of the Association for the production of a pamphlet outlining the types of insurance coverage available to the over-65 age group.

The conference is also recommending meetings north and south, he reported on the Operation Homecare program of the A.M.A., covering national legislative activities. Members of the conference are also looking into the classification as Associate Members of physicians in various positions.

#### 10. *California Hospital Association:*

Doctor Anderson reported on his attendance at a meeting of the California Hospital Association, at which agreement was reached on the need to use staff members for communications programs and on the need to provide for community and regional hospital planning if governmental planning programs are to be avoided. It was also agreed that the C.M.A. and C.H.A. should exchange their respective Newsletters to governing board members.

#### 11. *Staff Report:*

Mr. Hassard read a letter received from an A.M.A. official in which he took occasion to name a number of members of the C.M.A. who are serving with great credit on A.M.A. Councils and committees.

He also reported on a request received from an officer of a specialty society suggesting that his specialty be invited to send a representative regularly to attend Council meetings. On motion duly made and seconded, it was voted to reaffirm the present policy to the effect that Council meetings are open to all members of the Association.

#### 12. *Legal Department:*

Mr. Hassard reported that the State Supreme Court had denied a hearing on appeal from a lower court decision which limited the scope of practice of chiropractors and specifically prohibited the delivery of babies by chiropractors. This denial has the effect of establishing the lower court's findings as the law.

#### 13. *International Student Conference:*

A proposal was presented asking C.M.A. participation in an international student program planned for San Francisco in 1964, to which some 450 medical students would be invited from all countries. On motion duly made and seconded, it was voted to ask the President, Council Chairman and Councilor Watts to study the proposal and report back with recommendations.

#### 14. *Outpatient Radiology Fees:*

Discussion was held on the question of fees paid by C.P.S. for radiological services for outpatients. On motion duly made and seconded, it was voted to appoint Doctors Davis, Dalton, Rogers, Murray, O'Connor and Miller as a council committee to review this matter and report back to the Council. Doctor Davis was named as chairman.

#### 15. *California Medical Education and Research Foundation:*

Doctor Anderson reported on a meeting held by California Medical Education and Research Foundation at which C.M.E.R.F. commenced planning for implementation of the study on the Role of Medicine in Society which was assigned to it by the Council and the House of Delegates. Doctor Anderson also reported that the C.M.E.R.F. Board voted to create a special committee for this project consisting of the C.M.E.R.F. Directors and Doctors Sanford Feldman, Elmer Gooel, Gerald Shaw, Paul Hoagland, Malcolm Watts and John Rumsey to this committee.

#### 16. *Bureau of Research and Planning:*

Doctor Ham reported that the Bureau is considering the questions (1) can the quality of medical care be measured, and (2) if so, how? Studies are under way in three counties at this time as a preliminary to these questions. The Bureau is also, Doctor Ham reported, carrying on a continuing study on the level of fees maintained on a selected list of recurrent procedures. Copies of the findings will be given the Council for approval.

#### 17. *Commission on Public Agencies:*

Doctor MacLaggan, chairman of the Commission on Public Agencies, reported that hospital studies had been completed in three counties and were under way in several more.

Doctor Hudson, chairman of the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, reported on conferences held with officials at the California Veterans Home and of the State Department of Veterans' Affairs. Agreement was reached in these conferences on the desirability of a limited program of rehabilitation, a move in which the committee concurred. Doctor Hudson presented three recommendations, all of which, on motion duly made and seconded, were approved. These were:

1. The medical deputy director of the State Department of Veterans' Affairs be appointed an ex-officio member of the committee.

2. Recommend to the Governor the appoint-

ment of a physician to the Veterans' Board, nominations to be made by the Council.

3. Recommend to the Governor appointment of an ad hoc committee on a rehabilitation program in California Veterans' Home.

Doctor MacLaggan also reported that the Association, through the Committee on Mental Health, has been requested to make a survey of all state mental institutions. Doctor MacLaggan presented an outline of the proposed survey, including a budget item of approximately \$8,500 for preliminary work. Doctor Davis, chairman of the Finance Committee, reported that the Finance Committee had considered and favorably recommended the budget item. On motion duly made and seconded, it was voted to authorize the Committee on Mental Health to proceed with a preliminary survey and to approve the proposed budget.

#### 18. *Component Officers' Conference:*

Discussion was held on appointment of a committee to make plans for the program of the Annual Component Officers' Conference in 1964. On motion duly made and seconded, it was voted to name such committee. The chairman named Doctors Dozier (chairman), Gooel, Bullock, Watts and Grunigen.

#### 19. *Bureau on Communications:*

Doctor Bostick gave a progress report, including the distribution of more than 100,000 pamphlets on insurance coverage available to the over-65 age group and outlining some of the regular programs of the bureau. He also reported plans under way to hold conferences north and south on federal legislative matters and on a national legislative conference recently held in Chicago.

#### 20. *Nutrition Conference:*

An invitation for the Association to be listed as a co-sponsor of a nutrition conference planned by various departments of University of California was presented and it was agreed to ask the staff to look into the conference with authority to act.

#### *Time and Place of Next Council Meeting:*

It was agreed that the next Council meeting would be held at the Biltmore Hotel, Los Angeles, on Saturday, June 1, 1963.

#### *Adjournment:*

There being no further business to come before it, the meeting was adjourned at 5:15 p.m. in the memory of William M. Whelan, Sr.

CARL E. ANDERSON, M.D., *Chairman*

MATTHEW N. HOSMER, M.D., *Secretary*